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HIGH HONORS—Dr. Kenneth D. Wells, right, Freedoms Foundation president, presents George Washington Award plaques to Department of Defense military representatives at Valley Forge, Pa. Receiving the awards on behalf of their respective services are, from left, Maj Gen H. Nickerson, Jr., Marine Corps; Maj Gen E. B. Le-Bailly, Air Force; Maj Gen Robert F. Seedlock, Army; and Rear Admiral Leonard S. Bailey, Navy. Recognizing the role of American service personnel in worldwide civic action programs, the citation reads in part, "For the development of the concept of 'Civic Action' by Armed Forces as a corollary to their duties as United States servicemen in all parts of the world in an effort to impart to the local people confidence in the ideas of liberty..."

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Special Warfare Speaker Stresses Civil Affairs

At the 11th Annual Human Factors Research and Development Conference held last fall at Fort Bragg, N.C., Capt. Melvin R. Bowdan, Jr., a representative of the Army Special Warfare School concluded his presentation with the following comments:

"... the Army has put an immense amount of time, effort, and money, and great amounts of equipment in performing its counterinsurgency role. In like manner, this effort is matched by the non-military agencies such as the State Department, USAID, USIA, and CIA. Each of these, like the military, sends its qualified people to areas of operations, such as Viet-Nam, where they fill their respective positions as advisors, in some capacity, to their host country counterpart at national, province, and district levels.

"I have strongly emphasized that our operation against this shadowy type of warfare *cannot* be a single effort on the part of one branch of our government. It

must be an interagency effort of both the military and non-military branches.

"This is the concept, and in essence these agencies *do* coordinate their activities in the country concerned, particu-

larly at the national level. I submit, however, that at the province and district levels, our coordinated activities suffer. Why? Because as we move down the scale of the countries' governmental infrastructure, we find fewer and fewer military representatives trained in civil affairs fields and yet, in Viet-Nam at the province and district level, the military, in most instances, makes an effort to fill all of the needs of that district and assists the population in interpreting and implementing policies that have filtered down to that level.

"I suggest that we can do better than this. . . ."

Language Training

Volunteers for the Army Language Training Program are in great demand. Language training is conducted at the Defense Language Institute's West Coast Branch at the Presidio of Monterey, Calif.; and the East Coast Branch in Washington, D.C.

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